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**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2006 4:19 PM  
**To:** [redacted] Barton, Paula J  
**Cc:** Kovar, Jeffrey D  
**Subject:** RE: Draft statement on Enforced Disappearances Convention - IHL

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Dear [redacted] - It was wonderful to hear from you - thank you very much for being in touch, and for your well-written statement (as always) on Article 43.

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Let us stay in contact, and thank you for offering a copy of your full statement once finalized, I mean finalised. On a personal note, hope you are well and enjoying beautiful Geneva in this beautiful season. Warmest regards, Gilda

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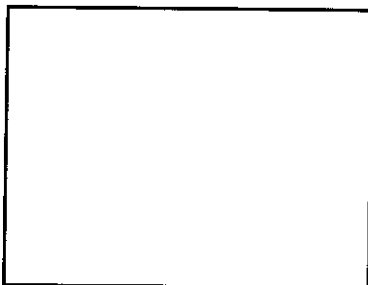
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Paula/Gilda

Many thanks for this - very helpful. I agree that it would be useful to keep in touch on this and I will send you a copy of the full statement on this once it is finalised.

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Below is Gilda's comment on your earlier inquiry.

" as we speak I am preparing our own statement. I understand that we have 3 minutes on the floor to cover all five working groups, so our statement on disappearances will necessarily be short (if indigenous is covered by

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Australia or NZ in a joint statement that would give us a little more time). My plan is to reaffirm (and mission should please make available for distribution) the USG's Closing Statement at the negotiations, put a positive spin on an intent requirement in the definition and address other clauses as time allows, and make an IHL point-very similar to [ ] excellent text, confirming IHL as lex specialis. Please share with [ ] ur plan, and thank her for offering to provide us a copy of her statement"

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Thanks for your help on this. When we have a final text of our statement I will share it with you. Let's keep in touch and share any information on possible statements of other states as well.

Thanks.

Paula

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